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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FACILITATIVE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE: FORMER  
IV GRANTEE, PAUL GUIRAGOSSIAN

FORMER IV PAUL GUIRAGOSSIAN SUFFERED ACCIDENT SOME MONTHS  
AGO RESULTING IN LEG AMPUTATION. TWO OPERATIONS LATER, AUB  
HOSPITAL STAFF FINDS EVIDENCE OF BONE DETERIORATION AND  
DOUBLE INFECTION WITH ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANT ORGANISMS.  
DR. ARA KETENDJIAN OF LOOP WAS IN BEIRUT RECENTLY FOR  
MEDICAL CONFERENCE AND OFFERED TO DO NECESSARY OPERATION  
FREE AND TO TRY ARRANGE FOR FREE OR REDUCED HOSPITALIZATION  
FEES. SINCE NO ANSWER YET TO LETTER AND CABLE, APPRECIATE  
YOUR TELEPHONING DR. KETENDJIAN (1340 NORTH ASTOR ST., APT. 1404,  
CHICAGO, ILL. 60610, TEL (313) 6640878) AND EXPLAINING SITUATION  
NOW REQUIRES SURGICAL CLEANING AND CONTINUOUS LOCAL ANTIBIOTIC  
INFUSION AND POSSIBLE RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY WHICH BEST CARRIED  
OUT IN U.S. URGENT INTERVENTION WILL PREVENT LOSS OF KNEE  
JOINT. GUIRAGOSSIAN READY TRAVEL IMMEDIATELY FOR OPERATION  
BEFORE CHRISTMAS. PLEASE CABLE KETENDJIAN'S RESPONSE RE WILLINGNESS  
PERFORM OPERATION FREE AND WHAT ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR FREE  
HOSPITALIZATION AND THERAPY. GUIRAGOSSIAN'S CASE HAS BECOME  
CAUSE CELEBRE HERE. EASTERN EUROPEAN EMBASSY HAS OFFERED  
COLLABORATE WITH ARMENIAN COMMUNITY IN PROVIDING SOME FREE  
MEDICAL TREATMENT BUT GUIRAGOSSIAN AND AUB PREFER U.S. TREATMENT.  
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